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GOULD QUINT HAS FINE RECORD: ONE DEFEAT

Dividing a two game series with Stephens High of Rumford and winning all other games on their 1944 slate gave Gould Academy the enviable record of 12 wins to one loss. They easily won the Class "B" championship of Oxford County, defeating each of their County competitors twice. Norway with eight wins and two losses ranked next to Gould. While by no means the best team to come out of the Bethel school of late, the surprise team of this season has set up the best win and lost record made here for many years, perhaps the best ever made. Their one defeat came early in the season at Rumford thus giving them opportunity to set up a consecutive win streak of 10 games to finish the season.

The team has featured a strong man to man defense all over the floor and has kept opponents, in many instances, bewildered and caused them to throw the ball away, hurry their passes, and make wild shots at the basket. The "highlights" of the season were the wins over Stephens High of Rumford and the strong Old Orchard High team, champions of their league. The team has shown a tendency all year to start slowly and finish strong. They showed their ability to come from behind in defeating Norway at Norway, Fryeburg at Fryeburg and Mexico here at Bethel. This year's team has maintained the record of other Gould teams in that no outside team has yet beaten Gould on the Field House court, since it was opened three years ago.

The team's offense was built around their center, Francis Berry, the only Gould veteran to start the season. He proved his worth as he led his teammates in scoring with 139 points. The starting forwards, McInnis and Bryant, along with the guards, Bennett and Emery, as well as Berry, will all be lost through graduation. Their loss will be severely felt when the next season rolls around. Archie Young, who has played as a guard in every game, will be the only returning letterman for the team of '45. Allen and Lawry with some service as reserves look good for the coming year.

BETHEL NEAR QUOTA IN STATE WAR CHEST

As chairman of the State War Chest in Bethel, I wish to announce that the amount of \$910.47 has been collected in the town of Bethel. While this did not meet the quota of \$1050.00 that was set for the town, I believe it is a very creditable showing. I wish to thank all the contributors and people who have helped in their many ways to carry on this worthwhile work.—Elwood F. Ireland, Chairman for Bethel.

EAST BETHEL

Mrs. Harold Stanley was the week end guest of her daughter, Mrs. Rodney Howe, and family. Ann Newmarker spent the week end with Mary and Alice Hastings. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hastings went to Upton Sunday to see about the removal of snow from roofs of the camp. Miss Deborah Farwell was at home over the week end. Lenell H. Stevens spent the week end with "Buddy" Kneeland at West Bethel. Tony Hastings spent the week end with Albert Smith in Mason. Miss Gertrude Mason completed her work at Leland Coolidge's Tuesday and returned to her home at South Bethel. Mrs. Hanken Olson of North Newry is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Charles Smith, for a few weeks. Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Billings were Miss Beatrice Brown and Mrs. Robert Billings of Bethel, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Brooks of Bryant Pond. J. C. Bartlett is reported as gaining slowly at the Rumford Hospital. His daughter, Mrs. Charles Secord, and daughter Shirley of Buffalo, N. Y., came Thursday to visit her parents.

BUDGET COMMITTEE FAVORS INCREASING TREASURER'S SALARY—EXTENDING TYLER STREET

At the meeting of the budget committee at the Selectmen's office Saturday afternoon recommendations for action at the coming town meeting were made in perhaps a more complete way than has been the custom, although on some questions the group reached no agreement. They would advise an increase of \$100 in the salary of the treasurer, but did not plan to increase the total amount raised for the town officers. The amount recommended for the town's share of the school superintendent's salary was raised \$141.65 above the \$600.00 of 1943. The articles on which the committee reached no conclusion were in regard to discontinuing the Northwest Bethel school, and changing the time for balloting for elective officers and transaction of business at the annual meetings of the town. The latter article has the support of many who believe something should be done to encourage increased interest and participation in the business meeting. Both of the questions should be seriously considered Monday.

The committee was in favor of passing over articles on raising money for school lunches, State aid road construction and advertising the town.

Amounts recommended are:

6 Treasurer's salary	\$300.00
7 Price for collecting taxes	1% for excise tax
9 Common Schools	12,500.00
10 Secondary Schools	9,000.00
11 Textbooks	400.00
12 School Supplies	724.00
13 Repair of school houses	300.00
14 Insurance school houses	200.00
15 School Physician	100.00
16 School Superintendent	741.65
20 Roads and bridges	3,000.00
19 Public Health Nursing	100.00
21 Winter roads	3,000.00
22 Bituminous road surface	700.00
24 Maint. State roads	1,130.00
25 Maint. third class roads	925.00
27 Land damage, Tyler St.	151.00
28 To build Tyler St.	250.00
29 Maintenance sewers	250.00
30 Support of poor	3,000.00
31 Town officers	3,800.00
32 Abatement	172.61
33 Memorial Day observance	50.00
34 Bethel Band	200.00
36 Treasurer's bond	35.00
37 Collector's bond	20.00
39 Fire expense	500.00
40 Miscellaneous account	1,900.00
41 Bethel Library	400.00
42 Interest	300.00
43 Liability Insurance	150.00

Ruth Donahue was guest of honor at a birthday party at her home Friday evening. Guests were Laura Belle Bennett, Marlene Anderson, Eleanor Gurney, Doris Wernemchuck, Phyllis Merrill, Harry Cole, Donald Croate, Donald Lord, Robert Tift and Eldon Greenleaf.

The following is from a Florida newspaper. The Ormond Beach Starfish batted out a 13-7 victory over the Bethel Inn Dolphins in the second of the series of softball games held Friday afternoon on the ball field of the Hotel Ormond. Starring for the Starfish were Lucia Tikander, George Cusack, Al Mann, and Louis Graziosi. In the Dolphin lineup were Margaret Hanscom, Hilda Brown, Olga Pierce and James Cusack. These games have become a weekly affair and are well-attended.

NORTH NEWRY

Walter Brinck has finished work for Roland Pict, Sunday River, and returned to his home here. The Church Supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Morton Friday night was well attended. The young people played while following supper. Paul and Owen Wright spent the week end at Errol, N. H., with relatives. Mrs. June Hills Hunter and other Red Cross committees from Rumford met with some of the people of Newry at the home of Mrs. F. W. Wight Wednesday afternoon in the interest of the Red Cross drive. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Morton Jr. and children and Mrs. Herbert Morton were in Lewiston and Auburn Friday. Mrs. Robert Davis went to Portland Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Davis of Bethel. Miss Elaine Vail of Gould Academy was at home Sunday for dinner. The whist party next Friday night will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wight with a box supper. Frankie Vail, Bob Morton and Pete Vail went to Errol fishing Tuesday.

A HOPE FOR MARCH 1944



BETHEL LOCAL NEWS

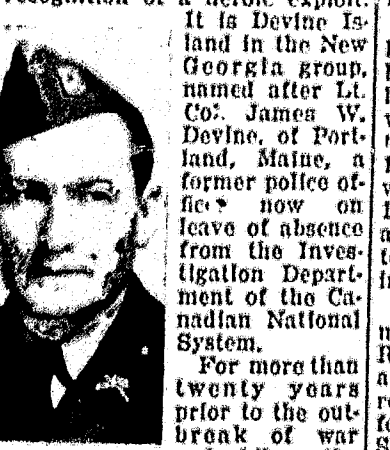
Mrs. Winfield Howe spent the week end in Portland. Mrs. Niles Kellogg has returned from the Rumford hospital. Mrs. Ordell Anderson was hostess to the Ladies' Club this afternoon. Mrs. Irvin French entertained the W. S. C. S. this Thursday afternoon. The Misses Arlene Greenleaf and Barbara Luxton were in Berlin Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Bailey and son were guests of Mrs. Frank E. Hanscom Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Andrews of Whitinsville, Mass., have been visiting friends in town. Mrs. Frank E. Hanscom is spending a few days in Lewiston with her daughter, Mrs. C. F. Bailey. Carlton Brown of Kennebec was the guest of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Lapham, last week. A crew of Bethel Inn workmen are razing the buildings on the N. F. Brown place at the foot of Mill Hill. Miss Mary Wentzell visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Wentzell, at Kennebec over the week end. Sgt. Wilfred Boulanger was honored guest at a dinner party given by the pumper company of the fire department at the Bethel Restaurant Monday evening. After dinner they went to the fire house for a social evening. Richard Crockett and Miss Betty Cleveland from Norway visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Crockett, Sunday. Sgt. Leslie Ireland is spending several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Ireland, prior to entering a training school for nurses. The regular meeting of Sunset Rebekah Lodge will be held Monday evening, March 6, preceded by a pot luck supper for members, families and friends.

RATION TIMETABLE

Meats and Fats: Ration token plan now in effect. Red stamps A8, B8, and C8 in P. 10k Four, worth 10 points each, good through May 20. Red tokens worth one point each, used as change. Brown stamps Y and Z in Book Three retaining values printed on face, remain good through Mar. 31. Processed Foods: Blue stamps A8, B8, C8, D8 and E8 in Book Four, worth 10 points each, good through May 20. Blue tokens, worth one point each, used as change. Green stamps K, L and M retaining values printed on face, remain good through Mar. 31. Sugar: "Sugar" stamp No. 30 in Book Four good for five pounds through Mar. 31. Shoes: Aeroplane stamp No. 1 in Book Three good indefinitely for one pair Stamp 18 in Book One also good indefinitely. Fuel Oil: Period Three coupons good to Mar. 13. Period Four coupons good to Sept. 30. Gasoline: No. 9 Stamps in basic A book good for three gallons through May 8. B1 and C1 coupons good for two gallons. B2 and C2 coupons good for five gallons. Tire Inspection: Inspection deadlines for A cars, Mar. 31; for B and C cars, Feb. 29. For week of Mar. 5-11 (same as above except as follows): Tire Inspection: Inspection deadlines for A cars, Mar. 31; for B cars, June 30; for C cars, May 31.

HERO'S REWARD—DEVINE ISLAND

A N Island in the South Pacific now bears the name of a Canadian National Railways employee in recognition of a heroic exploit.



Lt. Col. Devine

It is Devine Island in the New Georgia group, named after Lt. Col. James W. Devine, of Portland, Maine, a former police officer now on leave of absence from the investigation department of the Canadian National Railway System. For more than twenty years prior to the outbreak of war and while on the Railway's staff, Colonel Devine was a member of the Maine National Guard as a first lieutenant. At his induction he was promoted to captain and assigned as commandant officer to the U. S. Army Service Company, 103rd Infantry, 43rd Division, later obtaining his majority. For leading tank attacks to crack the outer defenses of the Japanese-held Munda Island...

HAMLIN—DAVIS

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie E. Davis of Bethel are announcing the marriage of their daughter, Kathryn, to Charles G. Hamlin, Q.M. 3c, U. S. Naval Reserve, son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer H. Hamlin of Gorham, N. H. The wedding took place on Feb. 16 in Portland, with the Rev. Cornelius Edwards Clark officiating, and Miss Phyllis Davis of Boston as maid of honor, and Homer H. Hamlin of Gorham, N. H., as best man. Other guests were Mrs. Homer H. Hamlin, Gorham, N. H.; Mrs. Alma LaFayette, Greenwood Mountain, Maine; Mrs. M. A. Hinkley and son Billy, Westbrook, Maine; Ralph Bannister, Boston, Mass.; Miss Anne McMaster and Miss Guinild Mikkelsen, Portland.

Mrs. Hamlin was graduated from Gould Academy in 1940, and later attended Westbrook Junior College in Portland. Mr. Hamlin was in Portland from Gorham High School in 1939, and attended Bates College in Lewiston. He has been on active duty in the U. S. Naval Reserve since February, 1943.

GOULD SINCE THRILLER

Gould Academy, trailing most of the game, came from behind to defeat Fryeburg Academy last Friday 29-23. The losers put up a great game until Gould finally rallied to clinch the game in the last part of the final period. Fryeburg led 10-6 and 15-11 at the end of each of the first two periods. They held the lead until just before the third stanza ended when baskets by Allen and Berry sent Gould out in front 21-19. Fryeburg scored twice as the last quarter started and again assumed a lead of 23-21. Midway of the final period however, Berry tied the score with a neat basket, Emery dropped a free throw, and Berry came through with two more baskets, and to top it off right McInnis added another just before the whistle ended the game with Gould leading 29-23.

GOULD (29)		FRYEBURG (23)	
Allen	0 1 1	Allen	3 1 7
Bryant	1 0 2	Odell	4 1 3
McInnis	6 0 12	Loyelle	0 0 0
Berry	5 1 11	Nevens	2 1 7
Emery	0 1 1	Barnes	0 0 0
Bennett	0 0 0	Gallagher	0 0 0
Young	1 0 2		
	13 3 23		

Mrs. Addie Saunders attended a luncheon and meeting of the Grand Temple Club at the Columbia Hotel, Portland, recently.

Sylvia Lyke was honor guest at a party at her home Friday afternoon in observance of her eighth birthday. Those present were: Henrietta Swain, Corine Wernemchuck, Phyllis Chadbourne, Marie Mills, Kathryn Wilson, Judy Freeman, Mary Ford and Alan Lyke.

The Calendar Supper sponsored by the Junior Guild at the Congregational dining room last Thursday was a very delightful and successful occasion. Mrs. David Thompson very graciously substituted as hostess at the December table for Mrs. Robert Clunie who was out of town.

WOMEN'S BROTHERHOOD

The Women's Brotherhood met at the Methodist Church Tuesday evening. A bountiful supper was served by Ralph Berry, Harry Sawyer and Maurice Brooks. After supper President Robert York called the meeting to order and one member, Frank Swain, was added. The following committees were elected for March which will be ladies' night. Supper, Chesley Saunders, Fred Clark, Earl Davis, Glen up, Ralph Berry, Harry Sawyer, Robert York, Tolet, Clayton Blake, Roger Foster, Enterbrook, Louisa Brown, and Parker.

Rev. Franklin Kneeland of Bryant Pond was introduced and gave a very interesting address on "The Sacred Church." After the speaker the Reds and Greens lined up for games of shuffle board. The Greens won the first game but the Reds came back winning the second game with a hard fought battle. The line up was as follows: Red: Earl Davis, Perry Lapham, Fred Clark, Roger Foster, Fred Sawyer, Ralph Berry, Clayton Blake, Jerry Davis, Rodney Brooks, Green: Chesley Saunders, M. A. Gordon, Harry Sawyer, Fred Edwards, Fred French, Roy Davidson, Clayton Blake, Roy Davidson, Kathryn Wilson, and Mrs. Mary Ford.

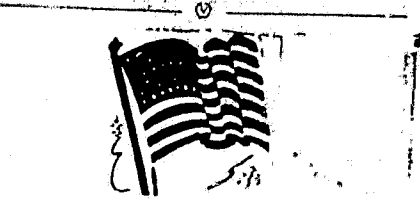
MISS A. M. ROBERTSON DIED YESTERDAY: 101

Miss Ann Maria Robertson, for many years Bethel's "grand old lady," passed away Wednesday after a long period of failing health. Her death occurred at the home of Mrs. Olive Wood, where she has lived since last spring. Before then she had lived on Main Street, where for several years Mrs. Cora Heath was her companion.

She was born in Bethel Feb. 19, 1843, the daughter of Sylvester and Angeline Russell Robertson. Except for a number of winters spent with her brother in Augusta, she has been a lifelong resident of this town.

She is survived by no near relatives, but a host of friends and relatives cherish memories of her wit and reminiscences of earlier Bethel days.

Funeral services will be held at the Greenleaf funeral home on Friday afternoon at 2:00.



Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hale have received word that their son Norman, who is somewhere in the Pacific, has been promoted to the rank of Corporal, also that Lester, who is with the U. S. Navy in North Africa, has received the rank of S 1c.

Pvt. Raymond Farr Jr., who has completed his basic training in North Carolina, is spending a furlough at his home at West Paris. Levi Boulanger, U. S. N., has been promoted from P 2c to MOMM 2c. He is stationed in the South Pacific.

Wilfred Coolidge of Locke Mills has been promoted to a Third Class Petty Officer.

Pfc. Richard Brown of Hanover left Sunday for Camp Pendleton, Va., after spending a 10 day furlough at his home. He actually enjoyed the drop snow here as there isn't much where he is stationed.

Pvt. Clayton Crockett from Boston visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Crockett, Sunday on a 24 hour leave.

Ensign Maynard Austin is spending a 10 day leave from Camp Peary, Va., with his mother, Mrs. Ava Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. John Travers and daughters, Beverly and Donna, of Errol visited Mr. and Mrs. F. L. French Sunday.



A sprig of green on the Mediterranean front; today it's camouflage for an American machine gun nest.

To win quicker our soldiers must have munitions and material, more and more. To provide them all of us must buy more and more War Bonds.

ROWE HILL

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cady of Portland were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cady, Sunday, Feb. 26.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bailey moved from Mark Allen's rent to Mrs. Bacon's rent at Bryant Pond Feb. 26. Mrs. Ray Hanscom couldn't move her goods because the roads were not broken over the hill. Mrs. Hanscom moved her goods to her home here Saturday, Feb. 26.

William Ranz was one of the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Colby Ranz, over the week end.

Enoch Brooks entertained his members at a party last Feb. 26. There were to present. The evening was spent in playing games. Refreshments of pop corn balls and apples were served during the evening.

Mrs. Winifred Hanson and Mrs. Vera Cross were guests of Mrs. Hanson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Newton Brown over the weekend. They came to Greenwood Centre Sunday night. Mrs. Cross to Mrs. Lester and Mrs. Hanson to Mrs. Boyd Martin.

The roads are very good here. The snow has melted away. Through Tuesday night two cars passed. Kathryn Wilson, and Mrs. Mary Ford.

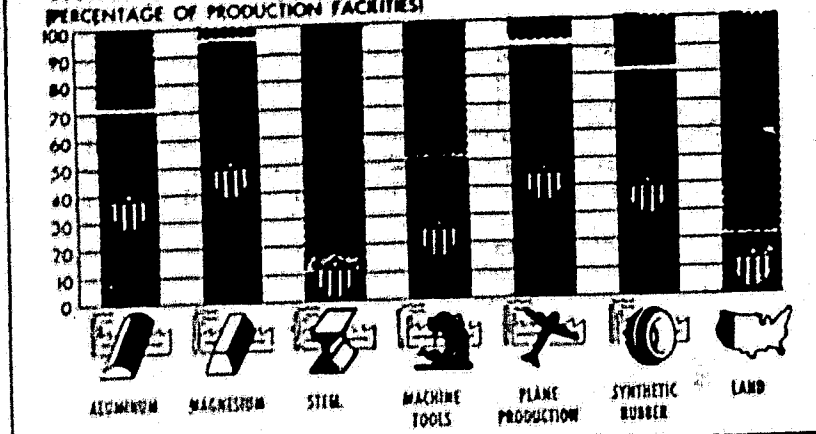
WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

Allied Bombers Range Into Germany, Blasting Major Production Centers; Nazis Concentrate Armored Strength To Hammer at U. S. Beachhead Lines

(EDITOR'S NOTE: When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the writer and not necessarily those of the newspaper.)

TELEFACT

WHAT THE GOVERNMENT OWNS



RECONVERSION:

First Steps

No sooner had Bernard Baruch submitted his report on postwar planning than President Roosevelt acted on two of the seven suggestions, establishing offices for the disposal of surplus war materials and the training and employment of veterans.

However, one of the most important recommendations dealing with quick settlement of canceled war contracts to give manufacturers, etc., working capital with which to switch back to civilian production, waited on congress, where Senators George (Ga.) and Murray (Mont.) introduced legislation on the matter.

Although reaction to Baruch's report generally was favorable, congress hit the President's speedy action on several of the recommendations, declaring he sought to place authority on disposal of surplus war goods and veterans' readjustment in his own executive hands instead of agencies established by the house and senate.

CONGRESS:

Tax Veto

Having labored for months on the new \$2,300,000,000 tax bill only to be spanked by President Roosevelt for their efforts because he claimed it failed to provide increased revenues in keeping with huge government war expenditures and offered certain industries unwarranted concessions, congress angrily considered repassage of the measure over FDI's veto.

In declaring that the bill failed to raise sufficient money, the President said that many quarters considered his request for even 10% billion dollars as too low. The President also objected to provisions of the measure favoring material producers, the lumber industry, natural gas, etc., where tax liability on air mail would be extended. The President also stated for a doubling of present social security rates.

Sen. George A. Sen. Walter George, chairman of the senate finance committee, I do not think it is right to just to increase individual rates. The greater part of the increase must of necessity fall on the so-called white collar class.

Subsidies Stuck

With the President's veto of congress' anti-subsidy provision upheld by the house, the way appeared clear for passage of a bill extending the life of the Community Credit Corporation until June, 1945, and extending the CCC's authority to acquire and operate up to 250,000 acres of land in 1944.

Although reported to congress, the bill was not passed. The CCC's price support of farm commodities and its role in extending the agency's life to preserve the home front during the war. However, congress did not pass the bill. The CCC's price support of farm commodities and its role in extending the agency's life to preserve the home front during the war. However, congress did not pass the bill.

Reconstruction Finance Corporation is expected to spend about \$50 million dollars this year on "public works" including retail stores for meat, butter and eggs.

HIGHLIGHTS . . . in the week's news

ARMY MILK. By a vote of 10 to 4, the house passed a bill to extend the authority of the War Relocation Authority to supply milk to Japanese-Americans in the United States.

FRANCE. The senate's decision to extend the authority of the War Relocation Authority to supply milk to Japanese-Americans in the United States.

RUSSIA:

Ease Threat

With the vanguard of Gen. Nikolai Vatutin's First Ukrainian army deep inside of prewar Poland and German troops strung out far along his two flanks, the Russians sought to ease the threat to their own rear by whittling down the Nazis on the southern flank.

First major objective in the Red's drive was the iron ore, copper and coal center of Krivoy Rog, meaning "Curved Horn," which the Germans overran in August, 1941, and wrecked before surrendering it to the Russ.

With the German lines holding in northern Estonia, the Russ shifted the weight of their attacks farther to the south, driving for Pskov, from which railway lines radiate throughout the Baltic states, offering the Nazis important arteries for reinforcements and supplies.

LIVING COSTS:

Attack Estimates

Pressing its argument against wage stabilization limiting wages to a 15 per cent increase over January, 1941, AFL-CIO officials joined to declare that actual living costs have risen 43 per cent since then and not 24 per cent, as claimed by the government's bureau of labor statistics.

Members of a special presidential committee investigating methods for estimating living costs, the labor officials said the bureau's figures are not accurate because they do not include the prices of many foods in their averages, and ignore upgrading, deterioration and the elimination of low-cost goods.

Although declining to comment until receiving the committee's full report, the President revealed that a previous impartial investigation showed that the bureau's figures were considered accurate for large cities, but failed to reflect varying costs in different parts of the country.

Advise Plow's the Thing



To plow or not to plow? If that's the question, Iowa State college advises farmers to plow until such a time as the problems of reduced yields and weed growth of sub-surface tillage can be solved.

Iowa State agronomists offered farmers their advice after five years of their own intensive experimentation, during which they found:

1. Plowed seed-beds produce higher yields;
2. It is easier to plant and cultivate corn on plowed ground, although machines have been manufactured which will operate through trash; weed control becomes difficult when crop residues are left on top and not plowed under.

Sub-tillage serves to conserve soil and water, the agronomists said, and offers possibilities for saving labor and costs.

OIL RESERVES:

Sufficient, Says Trade

Taking issue with Interior Secretary Harold Ickes' statement that America's proven oil reserves represented only 14 years' supply, the American Petroleum Institute declared that even with wartime production to meet 70 per cent of the Allied needs, there was only a decrease of 10% million barrels in total U. S. reserves in 1943.

As of December 31, 1943, U. S. reserves approximated 20 billion barrels, the institute said, including 1,404,000,000 barrels added during the year through new discoveries and expansion of estimates of existing fields. Production in 1943 approximated 1,503,457,000 barrels, thus leaving the deficiency of 10% million barrels of oil withdrawn without new replacements of a similar amount found.

Famous Pennsylvania Sun Oil man J. Edgar Potts said, "The oil industry with an adequate and increasing price for its products, will be able to meet the nation's requirements from these sources of supply for many generations to come."

BUTTER PRESERVER

Successful experiments with a complex organic acid have shown that it will keep butter, lard and cream fresh ten times as long as to usual under present methods of preservation. A Chicago company is producing the acid for use by the creaming forces. It is a crystalline substance from desert plants, called "carotene" and "beta-carotene," abbreviated to "beta-carotene." The acid is tasteless and does not affect the color of the fat, but its presence prevents food from becoming rancid.

Washington Digest

Demobilization Committee Completes Initial Report

Congressional Group Provides for Action by Legislation Rather Than Executive Decree; Small Business Gets Break.

By BAUKHAGE
News Analyst and Commentator.

WNU Service, Union Trust Building
Washington, D. C.

At a recent White House press and radio conference, the President, in talking of certain measures he had recommended to benefit men and women leaving the armed service, explained that long before the demobilization of the fighting forces actually begins, many veterans are "demobilized" who, for military or other reasons, are returned to civil life. One million have already been discharged and the process continues, while others are being taken into the service.

To some degree this process is paralleled by other forms of demobilization and congress has realized that the machinery for reconvertng the American economy to peacetime operation must be set up immediately. One group, a special committee on postwar economic policy and planning of which Senator George is the chairman, has finished its first report which deals with "cancellation of war contracts, disposition and sale of surplus property and industrial demobilization and conversion."

Quite aside from the content of the report, the document is important for three reasons:

First, it provides for action by legislation rather than by executive decree, and envisions a board whose first responsibility is to congress rather than to the Chief Executive. (An important step in returning to the natural processes of democracy interrupted by the war.)

Second, it has been written with a realization that in the re-shuffling of industry, small business must get a break. It is quite probable that Senator Murray, who has taken the trouble of small business under his wings, will contribute considerably to the bill which will be introduced to implement the purpose of the report.

Non-Political Expert

Third, and very important, is the fact that the report was coordinated and probably largely written by an expert on business, not a politician, non-political expert, hired out of the committee funds as its counsel. Similar assistance is always utilized by the tax committee where highly technical knowledge is essential, and it has long been the feeling of Senator George and others that one of the great weaknesses of congressional procedure is the lack of expert staff assistance for this type of work; the coordinating and correlating of the information brought out in the hearings and the contributions of the various committees, and the facts and opinions resulting from the investigations and the special knowledge of the individual members.

As a small group of us newsmen and women sat in the committee room and questioned Scott Russell, the counsel, we were impressed with his grasp of the subject and the way he separated political opinion from the factual content and the interpretation of the various paragraphs as he read them over to us or we questioned him concerning them. Russell was a former district attorney in Georgia and he was also president of one of the largest businesses in the South, the Bibbs Manufacturing company. Gray-haired, but young looking, and vigorous with an easy common-sense approach, Russell gave you the feeling he knew what he was talking about.

Business and Government

But regardless of the merits of this particular case, it seems to me rather significant that the thinking leaders in congress, of whom there are always many, realize the importance of getting to use a somewhat shopworn expression in its best sense—"more business into government"—business in the sense of businesslike and efficient procedure, not the bias of any particular business.

I have gone into some detail in previous columns in regard to the importance of small business in the American economy. I will only say here that Senator Murray, although not a member of this committee, was called in for consultation, and undoubtedly a part of his legislative thinking will be incorporated into the bill which I imagine will be introduced before this is printed.

Already the giants are battling. Efforts are being made by the big

manufacturers to assure themselves that when converted war industries resume their peacetime work, they will not be thrust into competition with prewar industries which can make the same product.

The report of this committee recognizes this danger and also the need of handling the sale of surpluses in such a manner that they will not flood the market so that the regular producer will have to meet an unnatural competition.

The report of the committee visualizes the need of regulating such conditions and there are many which must be foreseen and met.

I will not go into the details of the report which is a straightforward statement—he who runs may read it without encountering the usual "whereases" and the other impediments which many legal documents contain and which makes them quite safe from the danger of perusal by the layman.

Board Recommended

Briefly, a board is recommended. The President would appoint the administrator, subject to confirmation by the senate. The administrator would pick his own staff, not representatives of any group but men of special ability, fit to represent the United States as a whole, men chosen for their outstanding qualifications. This board would report to congress, a congressional committee would keep its eye on the reports and its members would sit in at the board meetings.

The board would not be an operating agency. It would be purely administrative, making use of the existing government agencies.

It would be called the Office of Demobilization. For the duration, it would be a subsidiary of the WPB; afterward, it would be supreme in its field.

The importance of this action, as far as the general public is concerned, is this: it represents one of the first steps of congress looking toward taking back its policy-making powers which, of necessity, have been delegated to the administrative branch and does so in a most vital field of endeavor. It is pointed out that these policy-making powers as applied to conversion may affect the economy of the nation for many years to come. For instance, as Russell put it in the interview—congress doesn't want any one man, or any one agency, to decide such vital issues as to whether the government remains in the rubber market, business, whether we shall have a large merchant marine or a small one.

Important Points

Briefly here are some of the points which the committee recommends:

1. That demobilization should be so handled as to preserve free enterprise.
2. That full employment be assured.
3. That government-owned or controlled plants be disposed of in a way as not to affect the national economy adversely.
4. That disposal of government-owned plants should be in line with American foreign policy, with the prevention of monopoly, with the encouragement of full competition and small business.
5. No plants or surpluses disposed of where their existence is vital to the national economy or such disposal affects it adversely or under conditions which would make it impossible for the small business to acquire them.

And this word of wisdom is added: "The shutting down of factories, the stoppages of work, and the unemployment of workers, through delays in contract settlements, will cause far greater loss of revenue to the government—than could possibly be saved through conventional pre-audit of contractors' claims."

In other words, "the law's delay" will be expensive.

It will be interesting to see if the lawmakers themselves cause unnecessary delay in this undertaking. Intelligent and unselfish construction and action is the keyword to a just realization of this practical example of planning.

Who's News This Week

By Delos Wheeler Lovelace

Consolidated Features.—WNU Release.

NEW YORK.—Little bespectacled Henry Fu-yi, puppet emperor of the Jap-boostered realm of Manchukuo, passed his 28th birthday in what the Tokyo radio de-

Ten Years Is for Him a Phenomenal Run as Emperor

scribes as the "best of health," and it begins to look as if the historians would credit him with at least a decade in office. He'll reach the 10th milestone early in March. His two previous tries were much briefer.

Son of Prince Chun Wang, younger brother of Kwang Sung, former Manchukuo emperor of the Chinese, Henry first found himself in the role of ruler when he was only four years old. The throne was that of all China that time. The Dowager Empress Tzu Hsi was his backer then, and she smuggled the frail boy into the palace and into office one dark night. Her coup held good: until China became a republic in 1912. Then Henry lost his job. He regained it fleetingly in 1917, but then the Chinese said "no" for keeps.

Things weren't too bad for him, though, even after that. He still had the palace to live in and a nice fat income to live on. When Marshal Feng seized Peking, now Peking, he ended. That was in 1924 and Henry fled straight to the Japs.

Both Henry and his beautiful wife once learned to converse in English. If anyone has ever told him that the first 10 years are the hardest, he probably is skeptical today. Or maybe the Japs haven't let him know what what happened in the Marshalls.

IN THE last great war comforting statistics came alive among Americans newly arrived in France to do their share in the fighting.

Survival Chances Of Wounded Have Been Upped 4%

1918. No one bothered to trace their source, at no one known in this corner. Everyone was glad to take them, as was, because of their reassuring conclusion that, even though you were wounded, the chances were 93 out of 100 that you would live to flash your wound stripe back home.

Now here is practically the same percentage on the official word of Maj. Gen. Norman T. Kirk, surgeon general of the army. He says that in the last war 7.4 per cent of our wounded died. He mentions the figure to emphasize how much better off the wounded are in this war. Only 3 per cent die now.

The general has commanded the army's doctors since last June. He reached that ultimate goal of all commissions in his corps after 30 years of service. Fifty-six now, born a Marylander, he was graduated from the State University of Maryland and made a first lieutenant in 1913. Like most good doctors he follows the advice he gives all patients and controls his weight.

His special field is surgery with a particular leaning toward orthopedics. And he should be a handy man to have around these times since many of the 97 who survive out of every hundred wounded will be greatly helped by operative reconstruction of hurt joints and bones and tendons.

THE Reds destroy Old Russia's myths, but a thousand years from now new ones will crop up, and one maybe will center upon the lively, hard-drinking Marshal Semyon Budenny.

Already Peasants Vow That Budenny Is Supernatural

Budenny is 68 now, a stocky, black-eyed comrade whose stories are endless and whose enormous mustaches spread under his broad nose like wings. He is a Don Cossack and in the dawn of the revolution his war cry was, "Proletarians! To Horse!" Born a peasant he fought the Japs in his youth and had grown into an old professional soldier when the Bolsheviks came along. He joined them.

His wife also joined them; but when she accidentally killed herself while cleaning a rifle, he swore that he never again would marry a soldier. So he took an actress for his second wife. But she is a helpmeet, too, and tutored him through the Moscow Military academy from which he graduated with honors 13 years ago.

Budenny the people's approval he has official honors galore, among them the Order of Lenin, the Order of the Red Star (received four times), and at least one town has been named for him.

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Today an apple a day keeps the doctor away, but in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries, cocoa was considered the proper tonic.

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Although 1944 food production in the United States is expected to be greater than in 1943, military and lend lease requirements in 1944 also will be greater so that the total food supply for civilians may even be smaller in 1944 than last year, according to the department of agriculture. However, civilian stocks may be upped if conditions permit tapping the government reserve.

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Indian BEEF

by HAROLD CHANNING WIRE

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LEW BURNET has returned from Wyoming to southern Texas in 1875, to take a job as trail boss for TOM ARNOLD, owner of the Cross T. Tom tells Lew that he is moving his herd to Wyoming, and that he wants to stock the ranch there. He offers Lew a share in partnership with STEVE and JOY ARNOLD, his son and daughter. Lew refuses, because he does not wish to be associated with CLAY MANNING, Joy's fiancé. Lew agrees to take Tom's herd to the Indian agent at Ogallala. Lew is aware of some undercurrent of treachery, possibly involving Steve Arnold, Clay Manning, a new hand, ED SPLANN, and four men whom Lew met earlier.

CHAPTER V

Clay Manning and Ed Splann followed the galloping animal in to the nearest fire, where Splann caught his forelegs in a loop and threw him expertly. This huge bearded fellow was a cow hand all right, Lew admitted. But there was something else. Watching while the hot Cross T iron was run on the steer's shoulder, he felt again the strain of Clay Manning's unnatural silence, sitting his horse there close against him.

He turned his gaze up the valley and saw Tom Arnold coming from the creek-bottom trees and pausing then with his eyes fixed upon the pole fences of the dipping chute, like two wide-open arms reaching out for an eighth of a mile.

Then Clay Manning said idly, "What took you to the rinds this morning?"

"The view," he said, his eyes still speculating on the dipping chute. "Always did like it from up there."

"That all?" Clay's voice was roughly edged. "I'd like to know."

"Clay," he said, "you've got nothing against me. You don't like my coming back to be trail boss for Tom, sure. But it's only because trailing has been my business these years. You'll still be Tom's foreman and segundo on this trip. If the Cross T ever gets north, Clay, we'll have to work together. That's a fact."

He saw his plea have a strange effect in the blue eyes, troubling them with a bounding look. And it seemed to bring Clay out into the open for an instant. Bitterly he said, "Lew, there's more happened here than you know. I can't make any promises." He closed his mouth on that.

"All right," Lew accepted. "There's something I do know. From the rinds I could see herds going north, while we're not even ready. There's a faster way to do this branding if you want to try. Trick I saw worked last year."

"How's that?"

"Use the dipping chute. Roping's too slow. We could run this whole bunch through by dark tonight."

Ed Splann had slipped his loop free from the branded steer and had turned toward them. He brought his horse to a stop close beside Clay's in time to hear this last talk. He leaned forward in his saddle.

"What kind of schoolboy game is that? What's the matter, Burnet, can't you use a rope?"

Lew looked at him steadily, saying nothing. Somehow in this man he saw a trouble center on the Cross T. There was a surly sureness about him, more than the arrogance of brute strength. He wondered again why Clay would tolerate his sort in the crew.

Then, as if made more bold and sure by that silence, Splann goaded, "Leave him try his schoolboy trick! Come on, Clay."

Suddenly this early morning's calm decision to keep things running without trouble was gone. He understood that he was being ribbed into a fight. It was what Splann wanted, a showdown. It might as well come now as later.

He swung his horse to get Clay from between them. But in that same instant, incredibly fast, a gun was in the man's right fist. There was no smokiness in his eyes now. They were only a cold, hard gray, unblinking.

"Now you," he began, but Clay's quick warning cut him off.

"Careful, Ed! Somebody's coming!"

It was Tom Arnold pounding toward them, his horse flung forward in a rush that swept along a dust cloud when he stopped. "What the hell's going on here?" He glared at Splann's drawn gun. With a hot violence unlike him in a crisis he blazed, "Clay, is this all you've got to do?" He swung his angry stare. "Lew, what's wrong?"

"Little argument, Tom. Nothing much."

"Well! What about?"

"Difference of opinion mostly. Had an idea we could hurry up this branding by using your dipping chute. You build your fires along side, push the animals through and run the iron on them as they pass. I've seen it work."

Arnold considered it, the anger going out of him. "Well, Clay," he asked, "what's the objection?"

"Not my method, that's all."

"Maybe not. But if Lew's seen it work let's give it a try. Anything to make up time."

Clay heated. Beside him, Splann moved his horse closer. There was a little silence. Then Clay shook his head. "Tom, I'll tell you. If you want to switch foreman right

now instead of on the trail that suits me."

Tom Arnold spoke quietly. "There's no call for cussedness, Clay, that I can see. But it's your choice. Lew, take the job." He swung his back to them and rode off.

Clay Manning turned in his saddle. Something had happened to him in that moment of giving up his leadership of the Cross T. There was a grimness added to him that had not been there before.

Without temper he said, "Lew, I'm going north with this herd for a reason that you understand. But not as your segundo. Either you or I'll end up in full charge."

Beside him, suddenly, Splann kicked their two horses forward. "Come on, Clay, come on!"

Like any captain leading an army troop, a trail boss needed a lieutenant, his segundo. And since Clay had refused Lew hunted up one man in the Cross T that he could count on absolutely.

When Rebel John Quarternight's white head appeared among those riders darting in and out of the dust cloud he rode over and waved him to a stop.

"John," he said, "I've taken over the herd. We're going to push this branding along."

He explained his way and added, grinning with the strong affection that he had for this man, "No argument now. I've heard it. I'll take no talk from a pullet like you!"

It was John Quarternight who had taught him all he knew about cattle, most of what he knew about men—a straight-backed, sturdy old warrior, close to seventy now, with de-



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ceivingly mild blue eyes and a drooping mustache turned yellow by the sun. His full life went into the past as far as the war for Texas independence, up through the Rebellions and after that the Apache days.

He chuckled. "No, got no argument. I'm beginning to think maybe we'd see Ogallala next Christmas. It's plain disgraceful pokin' frons at crows through a fence. But we'll give her a try." He swung his horse. "Build your fires, son. I'll tell the boys."

Lew's wave brought Quarternight around to him. He yelled above the rattle of horns slashing at the fence logs and the bellowing din: "Take two hands for this, John!"

The old man stepped down beside him and grabbed a hot iron, shaped like a cross, with another bar on top to make the T. They worked from opposite ends of the penned steers, meeting in the middle. It was a choking job. Cottonwood made clouds of smoke. The rancid odor of singed hide filled the air. Over them a midday sun poured down a breathless heat.

But the longhorns were moving. Ten by ten in endless parade. In half an hour's time Lew waved Joe Wheat and Ash Brownstone down to relieve himself and Quarternight.

Arnold jerked a nod at the work. He looked as if a heavy weight had been lifted from him. "Steve's never too old," he said, "to learn a new wrinkle. You'll have this job done by dark."

A quietness came over him and there was nothing that Lew wanted to say. Then Arnold said strongly, "Well, no complaint! A man loves a woman, raises a family and builds a ranch—that about sums up the account, I guess." He turned back and laid the book on top of others in a wooden box. "Only one more thing I'd like to see. There's a paper in this, signed and legal. I'm storing the box in Joy's wagon. Not crowding fate any, but things hap-

pen. If that comes to me before we reach Ogallala you look in this book."

Time had come to set the guard. Night shadows had slid like a blanket off the high rimrock. Out beyond the firelight four thousand longhorns made a black pool, watered and contented now, ready to bed down.

Lew dropped his tin plate and cup into Owl-Head's creek pan. He understood well enough that trail custom allowed a crew to draw for their turns at night riding. First watch from eight until eleven was always the best choice. No man wanted to break his sleep in the middle and so hated the second guard from eleven until two. From two until dawn was only a little better, the whole day being ahead then with these early-morning hours tackled on.

But for his own reason this trip he had decided to set the watch deliberately. He wanted Clay and Splann and Steve in separate guards.

He made a cigarette in brown corn shuck paper and stooped for a burning stick end. With the light up close he looked across at Lank Joe Wheat. "Joe," he said, "I'm picking you to lead the first watch."

All of the faces ringed around the fire lifted toward him. There was a tight silence. Then Ed Splann, his huge shape sprawled off, half hidden, growled cut, "How about lettin' us cut cards for turns, Mister Boss? Ain't that the usual caper? Cut for choice and choose our own watchmates, that's what."

Then Lew said, "Well, Clay, we might as well understand something at the start. You've been a foreman long enough to know what the job means. Plenty of times come along when you don't stop to explain your orders. I don't intend to. Like the way I'm setting this guard."

He brought his eyes around the ring of faces and stopped on Splann's surly stare. "If anyone here can't take my say-so he'd better quit right now."

He held that stare for a moment, saw its cold, hard steeliness and understood what he saw. "All right," he said and turned again to Wheat. "Joe, you'll take first guard with Clay and Neal Good. I'll take second; Steve, I want you to ride with me and John. That leaves the third end for you, Ash, with Charley Storms and Ed Splann."

Ash Brownstone, Quarternight and Joe Wheat were the old men of this crew, all of them dependable. Thus he had one trusted hand in each of the three guards.

"I'm going in to the house, Lew," Steve said, and looked off somewhere before he asked, "You riding in?"

Lew shook his head idly. "No, guess not." Yet he watched the quick turn of Steve's shoulders with a frowning interest. And afterward, when he heard his horse race off toward the creek waters, he said quietly to John Quarternight, "Wouldn't hurt to stand double guard for a little while. Let's ride."

Mounted, he held to the darkness, keeping clear of the longhorns, and then drew to a halt off on the barren, empty plain. He saw old Rebel John sitting up high in his saddle, smelling the wind for trouble, and said, "Wait."

It wasn't long. Moving slowly, a horse circled out from the creek growth, shielded by the dark. Later its hoofbeats struck up a faster pace, aiming for the short row of lights that was Ox Bow town, five miles away.

Angry and bitter with this knowledge that Steve was making a sneak, Lew sat rigid, listening, until Quarternight said, "That boy never could cover his tracks!"

"He's got no good business in town, John—not now."

Off in the east the first lonely gray of dawn was spreading over the four thousand longhorns had risen, held by the last guard of the night.

As casually as that, as if this might be only a half day's drive to the railroad, the Cross T moved into its march of twelve hundred miles.

It was the usual start, no better nor worse than he had expected. He watched backward over the repeated miles, yet took no hand. Both men and beasts needed to get the fight out of their systems.

After the noon meal Lew told Owl Head, "Keep on due north and you'll find a tank for your night camp. Raise a smoke to lead us in."

He rode over to Joy's wagon seat. She had on a white muslin dress and one of Steve's broad-brimmed hats. But the sun had burned her, and she looked tired and hot.

She smiled up at him and yet she couldn't hide what he knew. The wagon had no springs. Jolting along this rough ground, she was taking even more punishment than a man in his saddle.

"All right," he asked.

"I'll get used to it," she said.

Hour by hour through a breathless afternoon the blunt arrowhead grazed forward, leaving a mile-wide swath of barren, dusty earth where it had passed. With the disputes for places settled the animals moved quickly now, and on either side the swing men closed up in little groups to ride and talk.

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Star Dust

STAGE-SCREEN-RADIO

By VIRGINIA VALE

Released by Western Newspaper Union.

BEING a chaperon on "Blind Date," the Blue network show, has its hazards. Veronica Lake's parents were chaperons for an evening, and, to add an extra fillip, the program's sponsor had arranged for handsome cabs to take the servicemen and their girls from the radio studio to the Stork Club. A crowd of fans were milling around, waiting for another glimpse of the "Blind Dates." One of the horses bolted, tossing the cabbie off and leaving Mrs. Keane, who is as tiny as her famous daughter, helpless inside. Everyone ran, screaming "Runaway!" but a cool-headed Anzac soldier, used to emergencies, stopped the horse before damage was done.

Andrew Stone, producer-director of "Sensations of 1944," thinks so well of his idea that he plans to produce



ELEANOR POWELL

one "Sensations" each year for the next three years; Eleanor Powell of this year's edition will be the central figure of each one.

The desire to remake "A Farewell to Arms," that touching love story of World War I, struck both Warner Bros. and Paramount. Warners wanted it for Ingrid Bergman and Humphrey Bogart, which would have been better than the combination Paramount set up—Ingrid Bergman and Ray Milland. Paramount owns the story; therefore it will be their picture.

Craig Reynolds, the first Hollywood actor to don a uniform in World War II when he enlisted in the marine corps in September, 1940, will return to the screen as a result of a contract signed with RKO. After serving in more than 50 engagements in the European and South Pacific theaters of war, he was awarded the Purple Heart and two presidential citations. Retired with honor as a first lieutenant after being badly wounded, he can now walk with the aid of a brace and with scarcely a trace of a limp.

RKO is building up a good, substantial stock company, to have plenty of talent ready for its enlarged production schedule. Recent additions to the list of male players—Bert Moorhouse, Sherry Hall, Sammy Blum, Frank Mayo, Larry Wheat, James Robards, Chester Carls, Wheaton Chambers and Alan Ward. Looks as if the shortage of actors won't worry that studio any.

Warner Bros. have lifted suspension of their contract with Dennis Morgan, and booked him to play opposite Ida Lupino in a romantic comedy, "The Very Thought of You." And he and Irene Manning, the romantic singing duo, will do another screen musical together. They'll be reunited in "Henrietta the Eighth," a musical comedy.

There's a new reason for the proliferated merchandising of American soldiers these days. The boys are "humping" it to the rhythm of Alce Templeton's band compositions. The star of the CBS "Carnival" received a request from the navy department for a group of his martial selections, and they have been photostated for distribution here and overseas.

Not for nothing have Warner Bros. made all those biographical films. They've learned that pictures of that class have brought in the largest amounts of mail in the past, so a special bureau has been set up in the fan mail department before "The Adventures of Mark Twain" is released. They figure that Twain's popularity will result in a veritable landslide of letters.

ODDS AND ENDS: Dickie Moore, child star of yesterday who is now 16, received his draft call while at work at RKO on "Are These Our Children?"

"Heavenly Days," starring Ethel McGee and Molly, is now under way at RKO. A tale that's entitled "New York."

It took Mrs. Sinatra a month to get a maid. A member of Bob Ripley's large staff does nothing but decipher the badly scrawled letters that come to the Believe It or Not expert. Each month Tom Conway gets about 100 requests from people, asking him to find missing friends, relatives or articles. He's the detective in the "Falcon" series.



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BRYANT POND

Mrs. Inez Whitman, Correspondent
Miss Gertrude Farnum of South Portland spent the week and at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Rowe.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank LaChance of Portland spent the week and at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Rowe.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Swan and son Guy Jr. of Bethel were Sunday callers at the home of his brother, Porter Swan, and family.

Miss Ramona Farnum spent the week end with her aunt, Mrs. Lewis Tirrell, and family at Locke Mills.

Fred Cole is sick. Mrs. Homer Farnum and children have been sick.

Judith Grover Tent, No. 17, D of U. V. met at the home of Mrs. Inez Whitman Tuesday evening, Feb. 22, with 13 members present.

A Lincoln and Washington program was given in Lincoln's birthday. He'll see it through, Miss Clara Whitman. Washington's birthday, Miss Edith Whitman, a fish pond was enjoyed.

Raymond Dunham has received a medical discharge from the hospital at El Paso, Tex., and the honorable discharge from the Army and is at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dunham, where he will remain until his health is better.

Gardner Cole, a student at Boston University, recently spent a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Cole.

Mrs. Herbert Meserve is gaining slowly from two surgical operations at the Rumford Community Hospital.

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PROBATE APPOINTMENTS

The following subscribers hereby give notice that they have received the appointments as indicated from the Probate Court of Oxford County. All persons having demands against the estates represented by them are desired to present the same for settlement and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately:—

William Adams, late of Albany, deceased; Ernest F. Blaboe of Bethel, Administrator without bond. Feb. 15, 1944.

Ethel R. Hastings, late of Bethel, deceased; Henry H. Hastings of Bethel, Administrator without bond. Feb. 15, 1944.

Chicster Wheeler, late of Bethel, deceased; Roger W. Wheeler of Bethel, Administrator with bond. Feb. 15, 1944.

STATE OF MAINE

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court held at Paris, in and for said County, on the third Tuesday of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-four, from day to day the third Tuesday of said February. The following matters having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby Ordered:

That notice thereof, by giving to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen a newspaper published at Bethel in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of March, A. D. 1944, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Ernest H. Haskell of Norway, adult ward; Sixth annual account presented for allowance by Elizabeth Knapp, guardian.

William S. Hastings, late of Bethel, deceased; Petition for the appointment of Ruth C. Hastings as administratrix of the estate of said deceased, without bond, presented by Ruth C. Hastings, widow of the deceased.

Albion W. Herrick, late of Bethel, deceased; Will and petition for probate thereof and the appointment of Claude M. Herrick as executor of the same to said Will, presented by Claude M. Herrick, the executrix therein named.

Francis J. Lord, late of Bethel, deceased; Petition for the appointment of Lawrence A. Lord as administrator of the estate of said deceased, without bond, presented by Lawrence A. Lord, son and heir-at-law.

Witness, Albert J. Stearna, Judge of said Court at Paris, this third Tuesday of February in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

11 HANLER R. CLIFFORD, Register.

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WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

To Carl L. Brown, a Citizen of the Town of Bethel in the County of Oxford.

GREETINGS—In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Bethel, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at Odeon Hall, in said Town of Bethel, on Monday, the sixth day of March, A. D. 1944, at eight o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles, to wit:

The Polls will open for balloting on elective officers upon order of the Moderator and will be closed at 12:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose by ballots the following Town officers for the ensuing year, to-wit: Town Clerk, Three Selectmen, three Assessors, Three Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, one member of the School Committee for three years, Tax Collector, and Road Commissioner.

Art. 3. To hear and act on reports of the several town officers, for the year ending December 31, 1943.

Art. 4. To establish the price the Selectmen, the Assessors, the Overseers of the Poor, shall receive for their services.

Art. 5. To establish the price the Road Commissioner shall receive for his services.

Art. 6. To establish the price the Treasurer shall receive for his services.

Art. 7. To establish the price to be paid for collecting taxes, for the ensuing year.

Art. 8. To choose all other necessary Town Officers.

Art. 9. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for support of Common Schools, for the year 1944.

Art. 10. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Secondary Schools for the year 1944.

Art. 11. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Textbooks for the year 1944.

Art. 12. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for School Supplies for the year 1944.

Art. 13. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for repairs on school houses for the year 1944.

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for insurance on schoolhouses, for the year 1944.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for services of a School Physician, for the year 1944.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for salary of School Superintendent, for the year 1944.

Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Northwest Bethel School.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for School Lunches for the year 1944.

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$100.00 for public health nursing in Bethel. Said sum to be expended by the State Bureau of Health, for local service.

Art. 20. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for repair of Roads and Bridges, for the year 1944.

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Winter Maintenance of Roads, for the year 1944.

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Bituminous Surfacing of Roads and Streets, for the year 1944.

Art. 23. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for State Aid road construction (in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways, and bridges) under the provision of Sections of Section 3, Chapter 229, Public Laws of 1937.

Art. 24. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the joint expense for maintenance 19, Chapter 28, Revised Statutes of 1930, or under the aid on State and State Aid Highways as provided by Chapter 28, Section 9, and Section 18 of the Revised Statutes of 1930, as amended by Chapter 149 P. L. 1935.

Art. 25. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Maintenance of the Third Class Roads for the year 1944 as required by law in Sections 44 and 46, Chapter 28, Revised Statutes 1930 as amended by Section 4 and 5 of Chapter 229 Public Laws 1937.

Art. 26. To see if the Town will vote to accept the street as laid out by the Selectmen, leading from the easterly end of Tyler Street to Vernon Street.

Art. 27. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay land damage, incurred under Article 26.

Art. 28. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to build the street accepted under Article 26.

Art. 29. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for maintenance of sewers for the year 1944.

Art. 30. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for support of poor, for the year 1944.

Art. 31. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Town Officers' bills, for the year 1944.

Art. 32. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to take care of abatements as made by the Assessors.

Art. 33. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Memorial Day observance.

Art. 34. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended to assist in the maintenance of the Bethel Band.

Art. 35. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for advertising our natural resources, advantages and attractions, under the provision of Chapter 5, Section 82 of the Revised Statutes of 1930, said sum to be expended by the Bethel Chamber of Commerce.

Art. 36. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay for Treasurer's Bond.

Art. 37. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay for Collector's Bond.

Art. 38. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for expense of fire pumper and fires for 1944.

Art. 39. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended for care of old cemeteries during the year 1944.

Art. 40. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for miscellaneous expenses.

Art. 41. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to procure from the Bethel Library Association the free use of books during the coming year for all inhabitants of the Town, under such restrictions and regulations as shall insure the safety and good use of the books.

Art. 42. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to care for the interest on notes and temporary loans for 1944.

Art. 43. To see if the Town will vote to purchase Public Liability and Property Damage Insurance on any or all of the motor driven vehicles owned by the Town of Bethel and raise money for same.

Art. 44. To see if the Town of Bethel will vote to accept as a gift in trust, and serve as trustee for the following bequest:

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF MARY E. WILEY
Third: I give and bequeath unto the town of Bethel the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) in trust, the income of which is to be used for the perpetual care and repair of the Dr. R. C. Wiley lot in the cemetery on Grover Hill near the Skillings steam mill, subject, however to the following condition, viz: should said cemetery ever be incorporated, the said town of Bethel, through its Municipal Officers, shall turn over to the cemetery association thus incorporated said sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), provided said association will accept the same subject to the trust hereby created.

Art. 45. To see if the Town will vote to change the time of Balloting for the Elective Officers and the transaction of Business at the Annual Town Meetings and define those changes.

Art. 46. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer to obtain money by loan to pay the debts of the Town and to take up outstanding notes against the Town or to renew the same with new notes, and to execute and deliver the notes of the Town therefor signed by its Treasurer and countersigned by the municipal officers of the Town.

Art. 47. To see if the Town, for the purpose of procuring a temporary loan to, and for the use of the Town of Bethel to pay indebtedness of said Town due and to become due during the present municipal year, the same to be paid out of money raised by taxation during the present municipal year, will authorize and direct its Treasurer to borrow from time to time a sum of money, or sums of money, not exceeding \$50,000, and to execute and deliver the note or notes of the Town therefor signed by its Treasurer and countersigned by the municipal officers of the Town.

Art. 48. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and Treasurer to sell and convey real estate owned by the Town under Tax deeds or under tax liens to such persons for such prices and upon such terms as said Selectmen and Treasurer in their judgment and discretion may determine for the best interest of the Town and to execute in behalf of the inhabitants of said Town such deeds or other instruments of conveyance as may be required to complete such sales and conveyances.

Art. 49. To see if the Town will authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of 12 to be known as the Budget Committee.

To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

The Selectmen hereby give notice that they will be in session in the Selectmen's Office on Monday, March 6th, 1944 for the purpose of compiling the list of voters from 9 o'clock in the forenoon until time for the polls to close.

Hereof fail not and have you there this warrant with our doings thereon.

Given under our hands this 16th day of February, A. D. 1944.

ERNEST F. BISBEE
CARROLL B. ABBOTT
Selectmen of Bethel

A true copy, Attest:
Carl L. Brown, a Citizen of the Town of Bethel.

GREENWOOD CENTER
Mr. and Mrs. J.

SCHOOL DAYS

By DWIG



UPTON

Mrs. C. A. Judkins, Correspondent
The proceeds of the town meeting dinner this year will go to the Red Cross. So everyone come and plan to stay for dinner. If you have husband, son, brother or friend in the service, remember him and give generously to the Red Cross.

Martin Colby of Rumford Point was in town recently, looking after his buildings.

Jim Barnett and E. S. Lane were in Lewiston on business one day last week.

Miss Carrie Angevine was home from Gould Academy over the week end.

Mrs. Hans Autor and friend from Speculator, N. Y., were in town one day last week to get some of Mrs. Autor's furniture.

John Angevine sold a calf last week to Roy Bennett of Newry and a cow to Martin Colby of Rumford Point.

Kenneth Hinkley was in Berlin last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hastings of Bethel were at their camp on the shore of Lake Umbagog Sunday.

Mike Midloski, working for the Brown Company at Thurston's camp, had his leg broken just above the ankle, while loading horses on a truck Monday forenoon this week. He was taken to the hospital at Berlin, N. H., after receiving first aid from Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hinkley at their home.

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69c

Breezewood
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LOCKE MILLS

Mrs. Mary Mills, Correspondent
The Farm Bureau held an all day meeting at the Legion hall Wednesday, Feb. 23. Dinner was served to 11 members and four visitors.

Rev. M. A. Gordon of Bethel delivered the sermon at the Locke Mills Union Church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Miss Mildred Churchill of Minot has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Donald Tebbets.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Mills and son Elaine were at Albany Saturday and visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Zenas Mills. They also called at the home of Fred Mundt, Grover Hill.

Mrs. Edith Abbott of Bryant Pond visited her daughter, Mrs. Donald Bennett, recently.

Mrs. Janice Cross and little son Stuart of Bethel visited at the home of A. G. Coolidge over the week end.

Mrs. Kenneth Saunders and little daughter Nancy visited Mrs. Shirley Washburn at Bryant Pond Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Baker were at Lewiston Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norwood Ford attended the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Corry Bonney at West Summer Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Abbott and little daughter Joyce of South Paris were calling on friends and relatives in town recently.

SOUTH ALBANY

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wardwell were in South Paris and Norway Friday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Kimball were in Bethel Saturday night. John Spinney is yarding out pulpwood for Preston Flint.

Hugh Stearns is yarding pulpwood for Roy and Arthur Wardwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wardwell were in East Stoneham Friday evening.

Joseph Pechnik spent the week end at his home in South Paris.

Hugh Stearns and family attended the pictures at Bethel Saturday evening.

Mrs. Grace Stone is quite ill at this writing. Edith Stearns called at Roy Wardwell's Tuesday afternoon.

ALBANY TOWN HOUSE — and Vicinity

Mrs. Sarah Andrews and children and Mrs. Annie Bumpus and son Kenneth called on Mrs. Fred Hersey at North Waterford Saturday afternoon.

Rev. George Duke conducted the Church service Sunday afternoon with an attendance of nine.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Hall and family of Freeport spent the week end at Fred Littlefield's.

Carroll Buck and Carroll Fitzgerald visited Edwin Bumpus Saturday afternoon.

NEWRY CORNER

The Farm Bureau held an afternoon meeting Feb. 23 at the home of Mrs. Bertha Davis in charge of Mrs. Julia Fleet, foods leader. Subject of meeting was "Feeding Yourself from the Cellar Shelves," one of a series of two meetings. The next one will be Mar. 14 at Mrs. Daisy Morton's with Mrs. Frodell in charge.

Miss Erma Richardson, a patient in the Community Hospital for several weeks, returned home Saturday.

Anne Martin of Rumford Point and Jennie Belle Richardson of Hanover visited Barbara Hulbert on Saturday.

Word was received Friday morning of the death of John Warren of East Rumford, eldest brother of Edward Warren of this town. Funeral services were held from his late home Sunday at 2 p. m. with Rev. Penner of Rumford Center officiating. Entombment was at East Rumford.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brinck of Lisbon Falls were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Chapman.

Mrs. Ethel MacArthur of Rowley, Mass., and Mrs. Mabel Thurston of Topsfield, Mass., came to attend the funeral of John Warren Sunday, also Mr. and Mrs. Livingstone of Berlin.

Walter Vail and Leon Enman are transporting the mail from Upton to Bethel and return.

Mrs. Julia Fleet attended a Foods Leader training class at Andover Feb. 22.

Friends of Roger Hanscom of this town are sorry to hear of his illness from rheumatic fever.

SCHOOL SAVINGS

Grade	Sav.	Bank	Total	Per Cent
I	\$4.00	\$4.55		89
II	3.00	3.85		67
III	3.00	2.25		64
IV		1.80		61
V	\$10.00	\$12.45		73
VI	2.00	3.65		50
VII	3.00	2.75		55
VIII	2.00	2.50		70
	\$11.00	\$12.05		

Grades I and V have the banners.

GROVER HILL

Miss Marion Waterhouse, cadet nurse at the C. M. G. Hospital, is having a week's vacation at home.

Several members of the Mundt family, who have been ill with the prevailing epidemic, are making a good recovery.

Sunday guests at C. L. Whitman's were Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Rogers of South Waterford.

Mrs. Clarence Meserve of Mechanic Falls spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Barnard and Mrs. Marion Tyler at their apartment on lower Main Street, Bethel.

Cpl. Richard Andrews and wife from an army camp, in Arkansas called on Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Whitman, Monday.

Mrs. Herman Skillings has had the cast removed from her broken arm.

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Colebrook, N. H.	F. G. Marshall
Hanover, N. H.	R. W. Mitchell
Hillsboro, N. H. (Valley Hotel)	J. S. Telfer
Holderness, N. H.	E. R. Plant
Plymouth, N. H.	C. E. Mitchell
West Woodstock, N. H.	C. A. Cameron
Island Pond, Vt.	G. H. Carleton
Middlebury, Vt.	L. E. Bickford
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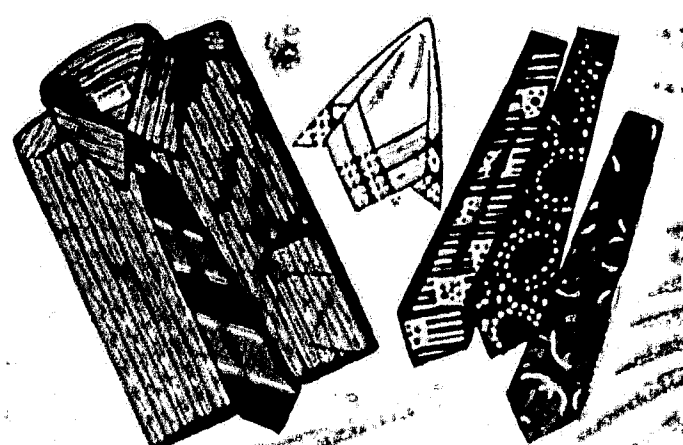
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Arrow patterned shirts and ties are designed with harmony as the keynote. Wear them together—add the final touch of a contrasting Arrow Handkerchief—and you are one well-dressed man!

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Arrow Ties have the latest patterns, a special lining that resists wrinkles, and a fondness for long life. \$1 & \$1.50. Arrow Handkerchiefs—large and good-looking, 35c, up.

MARX'S Rumford

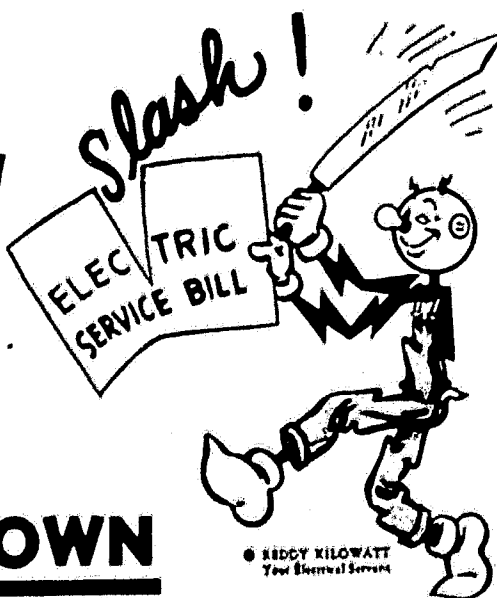
FOR ARROW SHIRTS

The Cost of Electricity

To our Household Customers

HAS GONE DOWN

while cost of other things has gone up



The average cost of electricity to our household customers was less per kilowatt hour in 1943 than in any previous year.

Compared with a 24% increase in cost of living in the three-year period since January 1, 1941, as reported by the U. S. Department of Labor, the Domestic Step-rates at which our household customers buy electricity have produced a saving of 6.5% in the average kilowatt-hour cost in the same period.

A recent survey, which shows the long-range trend of electric rates in general, gives these striking examples of the present purchasing power of the dollar: compared with 1913, the 1943 dollar bought 43% less food, 45% less clothing, 52% less furniture—and 70% MORE electricity.

**CENTRAL MAINE
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HOUSEHOLD MEMOS

by Lynn Chambers



Keep to Low Point Foods on Lunches
(See Recipes Below.)

Luncheon Aids

If you don't have the points for traditional staples to make up the children's mid-day lunches, then glance over the suggestions I'm giving you today. They're low on points, good on nourishment and high in health-giving vitamins and minerals.

Homemakers with growing children who must feed them at home during lunch, and then feed a very hungry husband at dinner, frequently find themselves low on points for these two important meals. They must be well balanced and satisfying or the family will suffer in days lost at school or at work and that's sabotage on the home front.

Sandwiches are an old stand-by and children look forward to them. To give a well balanced lunch, they should be served with soups or salads.

It is smart to have bits of leftover vegetables from dinner, even if they amount to only a quarter of a cup, and then use them for a soup for luncheon the next day. Think of the colorful soups that you can create from green peas, spinach and carrots. And as for nutrition, that's there in vegetables without saying!

Creamed Soup.
(Leftover Vegetables)
(Serves 4)

1 cup pulp (onions, carrots, celery, peas, string beans or lima beans)
1 tablespoon flour
2 tablespoons butter or substitute
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon pepper
2 cups milk

Add milk and seasonings to vegetable pulp. Blend butter with flour and add to milk and vegetable pulp. Bring to a boil and cook slowly for 15 minutes.

***Cream of Corn Soup.**
(Serves 4)

2 cups corn (canned or leftover)
2 cups boiling water
2 cups milk
1 tablespoon flour
2 tablespoons butter
Salt and pepper

Place corn, boiling water, milk and onion in a saucepan. Simmer for 20 minutes. Rub through a sieve. Brown flour and butter together. Stir in corn mixture. Simmer 5 minutes. Serve very hot.

When making sandwiches, there's a tendency to fall into the same pattern and create real monotony. New ideas can quickly pep up lunches whether they're at home or in the lunch box. It's easy to achieve variety if you use low-point cream cheese or some of the wedges cut in halves with tomatoes, relish and chives. These furnish nutritious butter fat too, and you can take it easy on butter for spreading.

Lynn Says

Especially today, the little things you do for food are as important as the big things you do for them in cooking correctly. For example, the bread pudding may be good, but it will be better with a spoonful of spicy apple butter on top or a dab of grape jelly.

Make your meat casseroles interesting by having the vegetables in larger pieces. When you make a meat loaf, use different types of cutlets for the cut dough. For fish, choose the choicest.

Agate slices of food in lunch and dinner to give the family a change. Have a variety of food in each meal.

Save Them I and Fat.
Take Them to Your Banker

Luncheon Suggestion

*Cream of Corn Soup
*Cream Cheese and Peanut Sandwiches on Boston Brown Bread
*Date and Orange Salad
*Recipes Given

*Cream Cheese and Peanut Sandwiches.
(Makes three)

1/2 six-ounce wedge cut of cream cheese
1/2 cup chopped salted peanuts
1/2 teaspoon lemon juice
1/2 teaspoon salt
6 slices white or whole wheat bread

Cream the cheese until soft. Add nuts, lemon juice and salt. Spread between slices of bread.

The other half of the wedge can be mixed with 2 tablespoons of lemon juice and pulp and 2 tablespoons of finely chopped nuts. This will give 1/2 cup of sandwich spread.

Devilled Cheese Sandwich Spread.

1/2 pound mild cream cheese
1 small onion
3 canned pickles
3 hard-cooked eggs, chopped
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon paprika
4 tablespoons mayonnaise

Grind the cheese, onion and pickles into a paste. Add chopped eggs, seasonings and mayonnaise and mix well.

Liver Sandwich Spread.

1 chopped onion
1 tablespoon butter
2 hard-cooked eggs, minced
1/2 pound liver
1/2 cup cream
Salt and pepper

Brown onion in melted butter. Mix well with liver, blend in cream and seasoning and mix well. Keep spread in cool place until ready to use.

Cottage Cheese Spread.

1 cup well-seasoned cottage cheese
1 cup finely chopped peanuts
1 tablespoon mayonnaise
1/2 teaspoon salt

Combine all ingredients. Use either white bread or Boston brown bread.

Cheese and Dried Beef Spread.

1/2 pound American cheese
1/2 cup drained canned tomatoes
1/2 cup butter or substitute
1/2 pound dried beef, chopped

Melt cheese in top of double boiler. Add tomatoes gradually, stirring occasionally. Add butter and blend thoroughly. Add dried beef and mix well. Store in refrigerator.

Chopped Meat Spread.

1 cup leftover meat, chopped
1 teaspoon mustard
2 finely chopped hard-cooked eggs
Chopped pickle or vinegar
Mayonnaise to moisten

Mix all together. Spread generously on buttered bread.

A fruit salad all quivery and delectable with fruit makes a perfect foil for a sandwich luncheon and gives your menu plenty of variety.

***Date and Orange Salad.**
(Serves 4)

1 package orange-flavored gelatin
1 cup boiling water
1/2 cup cold water
1/2 cup lemon juice
12 pitted dates, quartered
2 oranges, sectioned
Lettuce
Salad dressing

Dissolve gelatin in boiling water. Add cold water and lemon juice and chill to the consistency of thick syrup. Fold in dates and orange sections. Pour into lightly oiled mold and chill until firm. Serve on lettuce with salad dressing mixed with lemon or orange juice, or both.

Are you looking for salad ideas? Send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Miss Lynn Chambers at West 200 New Street, Chicago 6, Illinois. Released by Western Newspaper Union.

Kathleen Norris Says:

The Peculiar Unpopular Girl

Bell Syndicate.—WNU Features.



If guests appear, she rushes upstairs; if anyone meets us on the street, Diana looks into space.

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

ADMITTING that I made a mistake in the raising of my daughter Diana, now 19, what can I do to retrieve lost ground now? writes Ann Wood, from an Illinois city. "My husband and I were peculiarly devoted, perhaps we neglected her; she spent much of her time with my mother, who was for years an invalid," the letter goes on. "Now both husband and mother are dead, and I turn to Diana to find her as undeveloped, in many ways, as a child of 14. She is shy, awkward, self-conscious. She is pretty—or could be, but an utter lack of style, and a complete lack of interest in her own appearance handicap her terribly. If guests appear, she rushes upstairs; if anyone meets us in the street, Diana looks into space, answers in husky monosyllables, bursts into nervous laughter. She will do nothing without my begs or answering the telephone, won't even go on an errand to grocery or drug store without her incessant, 'You come too, Mother. I hate to talk to people.'"

"Perhaps I should confess to you," continues the letter, "that the wonderful husband whose loss I am now mourning was not Diana's father. I was married, foolishly, at 19, was divorced three years later, when Diana was two years old. She does not remember her own father, but has somewhat idealized him, evidently, for frequently I found hidden among her treasures a snap-shot of him, holding her as a baby. He also married again, has several children, and as he lives in a distant city his promise to see Diana frequently has long been forgotten.

Wants Normal Life for Girl.

"I love my daughter, I want her to go on into normal and happy womanhood, but my heart sinks when I consider the changes that must take place if she is not to be a twisted freak for the rest of her life. Diana, may I add, is only too good. She is nervously conscientious about anything I ask her to do, fusses anxiously over flower arrangements or the transmission of messages, asks permission even to walk to the corner post-box to mail a letter. She reads much, likes puzzles, enters radio competitions, studies two languages. Her health is perfect; she wears glasses for far-sightedness. She has no friends. Of late, in bursts of hysteria, she has threatened to leave home, but I do not consider her serious, for she is, as I say, completely dependent upon me. Will you make any suggestions that might help us both?"

My suggestion, my dear Ann, would be that you foster this idea of running away to the extent of actually sending Diana away for awhile. In these days she can easily get work, hard work, and with hard work, and life in a boarding-house, which you must arrange for her, inevitably come friendships, associations, distractions and expansions of many sorts.

Put her on her own. Reassure her as to her appearance and her potential charm, tell her that you are acting upon her as a check, as a cramp, as indeed you are, and launch her into the world. Send her straight to some industrial center, Detroit or San Francisco, where labor is at a premium, and tell her you expect her to keep a journal and utilize her experiences in fiction form some day.

Missed Happy Home Life.

This girl has been badly spoiled since birth. She was too small at the time of your divorce to realize anything except that she was being the daddy she loved, and getting in

THOUGHTLESS PARENTS MAY CAUSE NEUROTICS

When parents divorce and remarry they should constantly remain aware of their responsibilities toward any children by the first marriage. At best these changes are not good for growing youngsters. But whenever this has occurred the child or children must come first in all family plans. Failure to realize this has resulted in complex behavior problems which sometimes mar what might have been a beautiful, successful life. A mother writes Kathleen Norris about a daughter of 19 who is "as undeveloped, in many ways, as a child of 14." The mother is afraid her daughter will be a "twisted freak" for the rest of her life.

his place a strange man who took no particular interest in her. Her chief companion was an elderly invalid; the probability is that she had none of the happy home life to which a child has a right, small friends coming in and out, parties and picnics. In those years you weren't making her your first consideration; there was nobody to stop her from growing as shy and twisted and unhappy as you describe her now.

Now your service to her must be to see that she is equipped with the right clothes, with money for immediate expenses, and with your encouragement and faith. The moment she is independent, given a chance to develop in her own way, she will lose her shyness and self-consciousness, and blossom out in a dozen directions. It is because she feels so keenly your disappointment in her, your bewilderment or misgiving about her, that the primary fact of her life—that you did not turn to her until you needed her, nor think in all the years of her childhood and first youth how desperately she needed you—this is the reason that she shows you her very worst side, her quivering, nervous, blundering, stupid side.

You conclude your letter by saying "now, when we two are alone in the world, I must depend upon her for companionship—for all the happiness that is left." But that's exactly what you mustn't do, unless your pretensions to her are only a part of the selfishness you have always shown toward her, and you honestly haven't her good at heart, after all.

Postwar Farm Shoppers Want Machinery First

Farm machinery and automobiles top the list of postwar purchases planned by American farmers, according to the nation-wide "Farmer Speaks" poll conducted for Success Farming magazine.

In answer to the question: "What are the first big purchases you definitely plan to make after the war is over or 13 things can be bought again?", 33 per cent of the farmers named machinery, 26 per cent automobiles, 15 per cent real estate and 13 per cent that they planned to make repairs on their homes. Refrigerators were named by 11 per cent of those farmers questioned, stoves and furnaces by 9 per cent, electrical equipment and furniture by 7 per cent, washing machines by 5 per cent, building materials by 4 per cent, radios by 3 per cent, and miscellaneous by 11 per cent.

In the second question asked in this month's poll, it was learned that livestock and dairy products are the chief cash crop or product of 43 per cent of all farmers. Grains are second at 22 per cent.

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UNUSUAL CONTENTMENT FOUND IN OWENS COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Progressive Merchants and Working People of Owenton Had Initiative to Organize Community.

By BARROW LYONS

(EDITOR'S NOTE—This is one of a series of articles written for this paper by Barrow Lyons, staff correspondent of Western Newspaper Union. He has just completed an extended trip through the nation and in these reports gives his first-hand impressions of what rural America is thinking as we enter the third year of war and the first weeks of a presidential election year. Any opinions expressed are the writer's and not necessarily those of this newspaper.)

OWENTON, KY.—On the edge of the rich Blue Grass district of Kentucky is a farming county that is neither rich nor poor. Booms and depressions affect it less than most places. Its intelligent, hard working and deeply religious people raise nearly three-fourths of their own food, grow the best of burley tobacco, engage in dairy farming, raise cattle, pigs and poultry for the market, and sheep for wool and lambs.

Contentment to an unusual degree seems to have settled over Owens county, Kentucky—considerable satisfaction even with the New Deal. There are rumblings of discontent with the many restrictions which Washington bureaus have placed upon these people—but, on the whole, they feel that the Democratic administration has brought tremendous benefits to them.

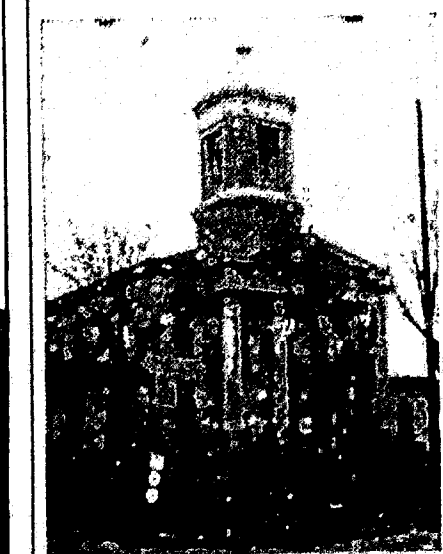
Owenton, a prosperous town of some 1,200 persons, is the county seat. Owens county has a population of about 10,000. Its people patronize Owenton's progressive merchants, whose stores, in general, are more modern than those to be found in most rural small towns.

Perhaps the secret of Owens county's acceptance of the New Deal lies in the fact that the town and farm folk of this community have had the initiative to organize their own affairs. The New Deal agencies, finding this high degree of local initiative, have been inclined to interfere less than in communities not so much in sympathy with its basic aims.

Owenton citizens will tell you that the spirit of co-operation which flourishes in the county stems very largely from the leadership of Reuben H. Pasador, former president of the County Farm Bureau federation, now director of the State Farm Bureau. Not only did he show them how to work together, but he developed leaders who co-operated on a long-term program of advancement for the farms of the area.

Today home production of food supply is controlled by a home committee of 5 members through 233 neighborhood leaders directing the activities of 685 farm families. A total of 973 boys and girls are enrolled in the 4-H clubs, which boast 100 per cent enrollment of the youngsters in schools who are 10 years old, or older.

The Owens County Farm Bureau was one of the first to request the Rural Electrical administration to help them get electricity on the



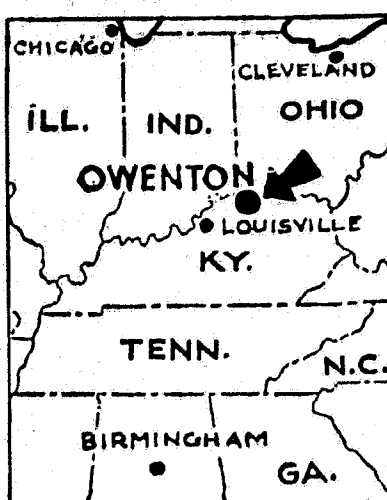
Owens County Courthouse, Owenton, Kentucky.

farm—something they had desired for years, but which the private utilities were unable to provide. Today this co-operative, operated on a non-profit basis, has spread into nine counties and operates 500 miles of distribution line serving 2,600 consumers.

Co-operative Canning Plant Is Sponsored Federally

Sponsored by the United States department of education and built with federal, state and town funds, the Owenton Cannery plant is operated under the direction of the Owenton public school. Last summer the plant co-operatively put up 15,000 cans of fruit and vegetables for home use, and since the middle of September have turned out over 1,000 cans of meats and chicken, have rendered lard and ground sausages.

Among the efforts of the federal government most highly regarded in



Owens county is the tobacco program. Base quotas of land permitted under the AAA program have restricted considerably the amount of land placed under cultivation for tobacco. Some farmers are inclined to grumble at these restrictions, but when the AAA plan was put to a referendum vote in the November elections, 90 per cent of the farmers voted for it—only 2 per cent against it.

"I presume Kentuckians are not different from most other folk," commented M. H. Bourne, editor emeritus of the Owenton News-Herald. "They don't like too much control, or to be told what to do and how to do it. But men who make a living entirely from tobacco raising know damn well that when they get more profit from three acres than they used to get from seven, a certain amount of control is good for all. Even so, some are mad because they can't grow seven acres."

"Government interference, though, does not affect us as much as in the larger centers. We do feel, however, that at times too much central authority has been exercised to get deals put across, that with a little more patience on the government's part our people would have heartily backed without coercion."

But there are some who say that in the tobacco stripping rooms, where men talk freely among themselves, feeling against the Roosevelt administration is rising. Feed has become so expensive that many farmers are now selling off their cattle and hogs—and they think the OPA is responsible because it enforces price ceilings at the livestock purchasing points, but has not been able to enforce ceilings on grain.

Thomas Fosse, cashier of the First National bank of Owenton, inclined to take the conservative point of view. He said:

"This is a very strong Democratic county. We have never had a Republican in office in it. In the last election, there was a noticeable turning against the New Deal, however, for the county went Democratic by only a small majority. Many feel that the results of government controls have not justified their great multiplication. Farmers feel that too much extravagance is going to prove disastrous in the long run."

"However, tobacco acreage allocation has proven very satisfactory because it has brought much better prices."

The school system also has organized a shop project which turned out more than \$1,000 worth of repairs for farm machinery last year, and may have done double that amount of work this year. With the help of publicly furnished instructors, repairs are made at no cost to farmers. Supplies are paid for by the state department of education.

If one were to tell Owenton citizens that this was "socialism" or "collectivism" they would smile at you, wondering what on earth you were talking about. They consider it their own brand of rugged individualism.

Under a similar arrangement we were enabled to build a satisfactory sewerage system.

The election of a Republican governor was not so much a turning point against the New Deal as it was against the manner in which state contracts were handled. There was considerable graft. Kentuckians will go along quietly for a while, but they are alert in a crisis."



FIRST-AID to the AILING HOUSE

by Roger B. Whitman
Roger B. Whitman—WNU Features.

POWDERY CONCRETE

Question: My basement floor has a white, powdery substance which comes out of the cement. I am unable to keep this off, no matter how often I sweep it. How can I correct this?

Answer: If the dusting was not apparent at any time previous, I am inclined to think that efflorescence is forming on the surface of the concrete. This condition might be caused by excessive dampness coming through the concrete to the surface of the floor carrying with it alkaline and mineral salts (in solution). On evaporation of moisture the salts crystallize, forming a white powdery substance. The condition may disappear when the greater part of the dampness in the floor has evaporated. Of course, the powder will have to be removed from time to time. Scrubbing with a wire brush may remove most of the efflorescence. A couple of soaking coats of a zinc sulphate solution may help alleviate the condition. Try this on a small area of the floor to see what effect it will have. Dissolve three pounds of zinc sulphate in a gallon of water and apply liberally. After two or three days for drying, brush off what crystals may have formed and apply a second treatment. Puddles should be wiped up.

MARBLE WALLS

Question: How can I restore my marble vestibule wall and my tile entrance floor to their original appearance?

Answer: Neutral soaps can be used for the ordinary cleaning, or



else scouring powder that is not too coarse, and the same for the floor. But, if the marble is in very bad condition, ask a marble specialist to polish the stone. You can get an excellent booklet on the care of marble by sending 15 cents to the Marble and Stone Institute, 18 East Forty-first street, New York.

Stained Asbestos Shingles

Question: What can I use to remove the stain on asbestos shingles, caused by the old wood in window sills? The stain is under every window on our house.

Answer: Scrub the surfaces of the shingles with a solution of trisodium phosphate or washing soda, about a pound in each gallon of hot water. The use of a scouring powder might be necessary. Rinse thoroughly with clear water. Protect painted surfaces against damage by the solution. You might be able to prevent or minimize the staining by filling all spaces and crevices between the shingles and window frames with a caulking compound. All openings between the sections of the window frame should be well puttied. Rotting wood should be replaced.

Repairing Stucco

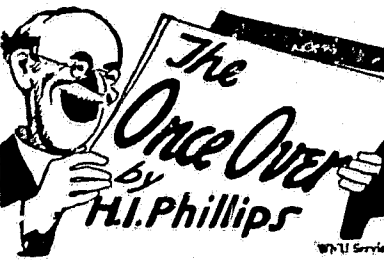
Question: I intend repairing the stucco on my house. Will you give me the percentage of sand, cement and crushed stone to make this repair? After this is completed I intend to go over the entire house with a cement wash, or paint job. I believe there is a certain kind of cement for this purpose.

Answer: One part portland cement (white or gray) and three parts of clean coarse sand is the usual mortar mixture for stucco repair. When the stucco has been repaired, coat it with a cement base-paint which comes in powder form and is mixed with water. You can get this kind of paint from your local dealer in mason materials.

Water Glass on Glass

Question: About six months ago I pasted flowered paper pictures on French doors with water glass. Now, since the pictures have fallen off, a hard crystallization has formed from the water glass on the glass panes. Nothing seems to remove the stains. What could I use to dissolve the water glass?

Answer: You will do best to replace the glass instead of trying to remove the water glass. This claim, when dry, is insoluble with the ordinary household chemicals or cleaners.



WAY FOR THE ROCKET FLIVVER

W. B. Stout, Detroit engineer, warns the auto industry that the airplane industry is so far ahead of it in new ideas that it may lead the field in automobile making after the war. He thinks the aviation engineers and designers will spring models that will eclipse anything the automobile people have dreamed of.

It seems to make sense. We can imagine the aviation folks beating the gun and coming out with a flivver that will combine the best features of a runabout and a fighter-plane, and with a touring model that will put mothers-in-law in the ball-turret or bomb rack.

We await these coming postwar models in the salesroom windows: The Whirlwind Coupe—A sippy number. Has cigar shaped body with two motors and collapsible wings for hopping street intersections. Has distance computer and automatic horizon lights. Rubber raft and flares optional.

The Town Car Terror—Has three motors over rear axle. Seat for pilot and co-pilot on roof. Carries spare motors in fenders. Makes 100 miles an hour. Is air-cooled and has automatic device which flashes red lights when driver has taken wrong road. Powerfully armored in rear to combat motorcycle interceptors.

Hellcat Sedan—Nothing can stop this car once it is warmed up. Carries pilot, co-pilot and crew of ten. Room for 250 pounds luggage. Banks beautifully at all altitudes and speeds. Has bomb bay doors. Retractable retractor motors and smart sequence-valves. Forty miles to a gallon. Speed 180 per hour.

Comet Limousine—Just the number for getting anywhere regardless of obstacles. Has four concealed dynamometers. Excellent diver. Carries spare set of landing gear. On road test this car went through ten miles of flak from motorcops unscathed. Another model, badly battered, got home on two wheels and with steering wheel gone. This car operates as efficiently upside down as rightside up, a point to be considered in modern traffic.

It looks like lots of fun ahead, boys and girls. The law enforcement officials are going to love it. But we think the pedestrians are going to be pretty scared by the sight of traffic cops in scout planes.

Tokyo's Mrs. Topping

A woman who calls herself Mrs. Henry Topping broadcasts from Japan in sweet motherly tones, lauding the Japs as a kindly people, assuring Americans that their sons suffer no cruelties and even quoting Yank prisoners as saying, "The Jap is not a bad fellow at all. He is fighting as I am, because I am told to. But he wants to get back to his wife and kids, just as I do."

The Japs pronounce it wrong. What they want is a Co-Barbarity Sphere.

"Jokes Bars Plan for U. S. to Take Over Fish Industry."—Headline.

Omigod! The thought that there was any talk of federal operation of fishing astounds us. Washington controlling the fish catch, mending the nets, telling the halibut when to run and announcing a code for mackerel? It unnerves us.

We are skeptical about results. A carp or hake may give in but wait until they try to tell a big blue bass or kingfish what to do about holding the line! And we won't believe Chester Bowles is all he is cracked up to be until we see how he comes out in an argument with a swordfish.

As Elmer Twitchell says, a ceiling on fish is better than fish on the ceiling, anyhow.

It will be weeks before we can step into a fish market without thinking of administrators and conferences. Not for a long time can we gaze upon a fillet of sole without thinking of arbitration boards. We saw a huffed cod today and couldn't escape the feeling Harold Ickes was in the background, with lemon and parsley.

"Governor Dewey Cuts Budget Five Million."—Headline.

A thing like that can make a man an outcast in this country today.

"Thousands of tenants are complaining bitterly that landlords refuse to paint or redecorate."—Mayor LaGuardia of New York.

We recently met a landlord who was pretty decent about it. He agreed to cooperate. If we would buy the paint and do the painting he would furnish the ladder.

"Traders Interest Centers in Rye."—Headline.

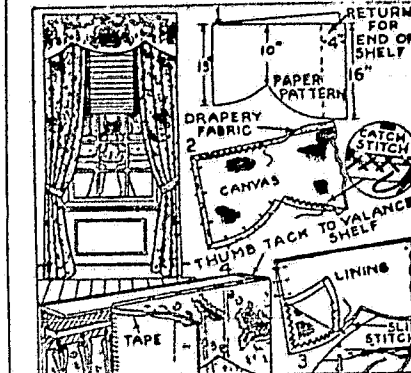
Gin being harder to get.



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